



AVOX Systems

AVOX Systems Inc. Awarded Airbus Contract

AVOX Systems Inc. (formerly Scott Aviation, Inc.) of Lancaster, New York has been selected by Airbus of Hamburg, Germany to develop and manufacture a new portable oxygen cylinder for use on board the world's newest and largest passenger aircraft, the A380. The A380 will begin airline service in 2006.

On average, 17 portable oxygen assemblies will be installed on each A380 that can provide supplemental and first aid oxygen for both passengers and aircrew members.

This contract award provides AVOX Systems the opportunity to introduce a completely new portable design to the aviation industry incorporating the latest technology and materials to provide cost and weight savings. This assembly, which has been under development by AVOX Systems in Lancaster for over a year, will provide the platform for use on many other aircraft currently in production at Airbus and worldwide. Estimated initial value of this contract award is over \$5 million.

AVOX Systems Inc. is a Zodiac company and operates within Zodiac's Aircraft Systems business group. Zodiac's business units employ a total of 11,000 people around the world. Its production facilities are comprised of 55 plants in North America and Europe. For further information, contact Thomas B. Harmon at (716) 686-1551 or tharmon@avox.zodiac.com.